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January 31, 2008

Honorable Anne Quinlan  
Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423

**RE: STB Docket No. AB-1014, Denver & Rio Grande Railway  
Historical Foundation-Adverse Abandonment-  
In Mineral County, CO**

Dear Ms. Quinlan:

I am writing on behalf of the Union Pacific Railroad Company in connection with the above-captioned adverse abandonment proceeding.

It is my understanding that the San Luis & Rio Grande Railroad Company ("SL&RG") will be filing a protest to this adverse abandonment proceeding. My purpose in writing is to advise the Board that it is well acquainted with Protestant, SL&RG, and its corporate owners Iowa Pacific Holdings, LLC, and the Permian Basin Railways, Inc. Union Pacific connects and interchanges freight with SL&RG and has found it, its corporate siblings, and the Iowa Pacific/Permian Basin management to be very competent, professional, and highly regarded members of the short line community. Union Pacific regards them as a reliable short line railroad connection. Moreover, Union Pacific believes that the Iowa Pacific/Permian Basin family of short line railroads has worked hard to restore business to marginal rail lines.

I would also note the SL&RG directly connects with D&RG Railway Historical Foundation line at Derrick, CO.

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Union Pacific appreciates the opportunity to have its views considered.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Warren C. Wilson", written in a cursive style.

Warren C. Wilson  
Senior Director –  
Rail Line Planning

Cc: Mr. Edwin Ellis